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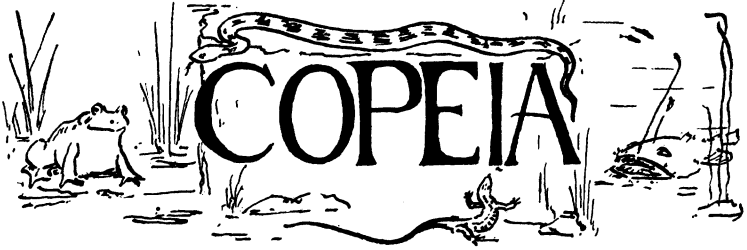
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## PICKERING'S *HYLA* ACTIVE IN JANUARY.

On January 30, 1914, I heard two Spring Peepers (*Hyla pickeringii*) singing at noon in a swamp at Brookhaven, Long Island, N. Y. There would be a series of half a dozen or more peeps followed by a silence of about five minutes; the frogs responded twice to my whistled imitations of their calls. The temperature of the air was 56° F. in the shade; there was a gentle wind blowing from the southwest, and the sun shone dimly through fog clouds. Much ice was still to be seen on the ponds; the temperature had been warm for several days previously.

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## A NOTE ON THE PURRING GOURAMI.

Although not as highly colored as most of the Labyrinth-fishes from the Far East, *Otenops vittatus*, commonly called the Purring Gourami, commands more than usual attention because of its being able to produce purring sounds.

It is a small fish, seldom over 2 inches in length, and not often seen in aquaria in this country, as it is very delicate as regards changes in temperature and handling. Only recently has it been my good fortune to have a few pairs of them for any length of time.